REMARKS

Applicants are submitting this Supplemental Amendment to add claims 30-34 and to correct a statement at the top of page 7 in the Reply mailed July 5, 2002. Support for new claims 30-34 can be found in the claims as originally filed and the examples in the specification at pages 9-11. Regarding the correction, Applicants erroneously stated, "claims 1, 3, 5-17, and 19 are pending." The correct statement with respect to the July 5 paper is that claims 1, 3, 5-17, and 19-29 are pending. With the presentation of this paper, the claims currently pending are claims 1, 3, 5-17 and 19-34.

It is Applicant's understanding that a fee is not required for an extension of time for this Supplemental Amendment. If the Examiner believes that a fee is required, please charge Deposit Account Number 13-3402.

In view of the above remarks, favorable reconsideration is courteously requested. If there are any remaining issues which can be expedited by a telephone conference, the Examiner is courteously invited to telephone Counsel at the number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted

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